

Liber B B

The p^rsentm^t as followeth

The Jury for the Rig^t Hon^{ble} the Lord Proprietary doe p^rsent Joseph ffincher of Rhode riuer in the County of Ann Arundell, for that the said Joseph ffincher on the 27th day of August 1664 upon Jeffery Haggman seruant to the said Joseph ffincher by force & Armes an Assault did make and wth Certaine sticks of noe uallue which he the said Joseph ffincher in his right hand then & there did hold, diuers blowes on the Body of the s^d Jeffery Haggman did strike soe that of the said blowes the said Jeffery Haggman the day afore-said dyd Dye—

[p. 383] And soe the said Joseph ffincher the said Jeffery Haggman then and there feloniously and of malice forthought did kill and murder Contrary to the peace of his s^d Lordsp his rule & dignity—

The Board demands of the Grand Iury the reasons of their finding John Grammers inditem^t Ignoramus desireing them againe to returne together and deliuer them in writing which was done and are as followeth (uizt)—

First that noe Euidence which appeared before us and gaue Euidence did possitiuely sweare that any blowes giuen by John Grammer or his man could touch his life—

Secondly That the Cords he was whipt wth although the blowes might be as many as the Euidences alleadged and that but suppositionally sworne to could not touch his life—

Thirdly That none of the Euidences swore that Grammer gaue him aboute 20 blowes wth the bigger Cord, and that it was an houres time intermitted betweene the beginning and ends of Grammers Correc^on—

Fourthly that the Chirurgions swore that noe stripes giuen him had in the least toucht any principall part whereby in his Judgm^t according to the rules of physick his life could not be toucht—

Vppon which reasons the Board was satisfied—The Grand Jury discharg'd.

Summons to sherriffe to impannell 12 men good and able for the petty Iury Sherriffe returnes his writt and warned—

fforeman Samuell Chew	} John Wattkins Philip Allumbey John Bayley Rob ^t Blinckhorne Thomas Hopkins William Euans
Francis Holland	
Rob ^t Peca	
John Burrage	
Samuell Garland	
John Ewen	

The Indictm^t againe read, and the Euidences called examined and sworne as before sett downe—

The Jurors wth drew to Consider of the s^d bille wth the Charge—They returne and being called answered euery One to his name. The ffore-